



Hector Campbell Neighborhood District Association

Meeting Notes 6:30PM April 13, 2015 Public Safety Building Community Room

Introductions and Welcome: David Aschenbrenner, Chair, opened the meeting at 6:31pm.

Present: Police Chief Steve Bartol	Linda Hedges, HCNDA Secretary-Treasurer
Lars Campbell, Vice-Chair	Mary Weaver, PSAC Representative
Sarah Smith, Parks and Garden Director	
Jason Wachs, City of Milwaukie Community Involvement Coordinator	
Wally Bischoff	Melanie Bocek
Carl Richter	Susanne Richter
Frank Lamp	Darren Smith,
Bonnie Rand	Steve Rand
Glen Ropella	

Clackamas FD #1 – no one was present

Milwaukie Police Update:

- Chief Bartol reminded neighbors of the Meds and Shred Day on April 25th, 10am-2pm at the Public Safety Bldg.
- He said the fundraising dinner at the Legion supported by the Milwaukie Public Safety Foundation for the Bikes for Kids Police project went very well, over \$1100 raised. This will enable the PD to purchase 5 bikes for each of the 4 elementary schools and Rowe MS to give to children who wouldn't otherwise be able to obtain a bike and helmet and safety lights. This is the fifth year of this wonderful community program.
- Neighbors had questions about various houses around the area that have code violations. The Chief will follow up with Code Compliance Officer Salyers. **ACTION:**
CHIEF BARTOL
- The area police departments will no longer be running a Citizen's Police Academy but the Chief has agreed with PSAC to provide 30 to 40 minute presentations at the beginning of PSAC meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month, 6:15-6:45, that will focus on various subjects such as an overview of the police department, information about the detective division, information about the K-9 program, traffic division, information about the interagency teams to which the MPD belongs and will include other public safety issues such as public health. The public is welcome to these presentations.
- The Chief was asked if pan-handling is allowed and it is as a protected action under the first amendment. However, if it becomes intimidating, harassing or blocks the sidewalk that violates the law. It is also allowed to have a child present.

- Graffiti was reported on a large communications box on Railroad Avenue at MP MP763.

Secretary's Report the minutes from the March 9th meeting was moved for approval by Wally Bischoff, seconded by Steve Rand and were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Hedges reported we have \$5500.26 in savings and \$2076.03 in checking, of which \$1329.05 is earmarked for the Campbell Community Garden. An additional \$432.45 remains allocated for the Beacon project, leaving an available balance of \$5814.79.

Grant Request: None had been submitted

City Liaison report: (see City website for more information www.milwaukieoregon.gov). Jason Wachs, Community Involvement Coordinator, reported that he has 165 volunteers for the SOLVE/Earth Day event this coming Saturday, very successful turnout. May 1st will be the grand opening of Riverfront Park followed by the first First Friday of the year downtown. April 25th is Meds and Shreds Day at the PSB 10am-2pm. April 25th the Milwaukie Elks are having an electronics recycling day, they are located south of Park Avenue on McLoughlin Blvd. May 9th the Annie Ross Plant Sale will be held at the parking lot across from City Hall.

Homewood Park and Campbell Community Garden:

- Sarah Smith reported that 60 lbs. of produce has been donated already this year to Esther's Pantry. All the plots have been rented. She has received a \$150 donation from Tempus Dictum, a business owned by Glen Ropella one of our neighbors, in support of two of the Harvest Pantry plots. She also was awarded a grant from Scott's for \$1500 to support purchase of a 275 gallon rainwater barrel and good hoses and nozzles and the grant will support installation of a permanent herb garden. She received support from Clackamas Co. Master Gardeners to purchase four good reference books for the gardening shed and will be applying for a grant from them to support installation of a better grape arbor support system at the west end of Homewood Park.
- A tree in the park was damaged during the last big windstorm. NCPRD crew chopped off the top and the remainder of the tree will become a bird habitat like the one across the path from it. There was discussion about working collaboratively better with NCPRD and especially when neighbors want to work in the park to remove invasive ivy.

Monroe Street Greenway Project

- Lars Campbell reported that following the recent open house and input from neighbors the proposed design for Monroe in our neighborhood has had some alterations. They removed a diverter at 37th but have retained a partial diverter at 42nd and Monroe. They have removed some of the green features near 42nd and put back in parking. Their goal is to install a 7 ft. wide asphalt pathway on the north side of Monroe from 42nd to Linwood but would eliminate a sidewalk or pathway along the south side, from 42nd east. Linwood would have a diverter prohibiting traffic turning north and there would be a flashing beacon crossing there. Clackamas County transportation has had a participant on the committee and they will be looking to have a similar process involving those neighbors east of Linwood on Monroe who will be affected by a planned continuation of the road treatment inside Milwaukie city limits from Linwood east to Fuller Rd.
- The committee's and public's preferred treatment for bikes and pedestrians from Campbell Street to 37th is to align a permanent path through the McFarland property which would then go through Washington to Ada to Home and a return to Monroe. It was decided that a traffic circle at Oak and Monroe is unfeasible due to lack of space.

- There will be another Open House in May or June for the public to have final input on the project design.

Moving Forward Milwaukie Project

- Ideas for the development of the Central Milwaukie area under this project will be worked on starting in May/June. This primarily involves the Murphy and McFarland properties. More information is available at <http://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/planning/moving-forward-milwaukie-central-milwaukie-public-eventopen-house>. Lars Campbell represents Hector Campbell NDA on this project. (Proposed boundary changes that we approved last month are to be addressed at the same time). The third element of this project, Neighborhood Main Streets (SE 32nd and 42nd retail spaces) will now start to be reviewed and public input received. We had a survey done by some PSU students 2 or 3 years ago about the kind of uses people in our neighborhoods would like to see there; The main idea is to make those locations more of a neighborhood draw with vibrant retail entities inhabiting the space. Aschenbrenner will look for the summary of that survey. **ACTION: Aschenbrenner**

Neighborhood Projects and Goals 2015

- David Aschenbrenner reported there is no new information on the installation of a pedestrian activated crosswalk at Home Avenue and King Road. He keeps this item on our agenda so we don't lose sight of it over time. There is no money in the city budget to pay for this project at this time. There was some discussion about how the Safe Routes to School program has focused on Linwood's routes between their neighborhoods and Linwood School primarily through the activism through their PTA. Linda Hedges mentioned that whether it's through SRTS or a renewal of the WSMP program even if we don't still have an open school in our neighborhood we should continue to work on safe routes through our neighborhood for pedestrians. Our NDA may need to be the activists through which this is achieved.
- The Street Surface Maintenance Program Railroad Avenue project will start in about June. A storm water pipe project on Stanley is awaiting Railroad permitting and that may push the start of the Railroad Avenue street resurfacing project to begin at the west end so as not to interfere with the storm water project.
- Linda Hedges asked for \$500 to support the purchase of a satellite phone that may be available for use in the Beacon project. The sat phone would be used by Beacon volunteers. The motion to approve \$500 was moved by Linda Hedges and seconded by Glen Ropella and unanimously approved. There are questions remaining about how to securely store it and keep it charged, as well as who would have custody of it before a significant earthquake event but those issues will be resolved through the City's Emergency Manager's input.
- Discussion over the use of Campbell school gym. **ACTION: ASCHENBRENNER to follow up with school use person.** Apparently the problem is related to the service of a custodian to unlock and lock up again.
- Discussion about all day kindergarten and about how that might affect the use of Campbell school. Melody Bocek advised there has been no indication that Campbell would be reopened in order to accommodate the all-day kindergarten program. It is being used by several school district programs now. One of the main issues for the use of Campbell is its lack of seismic upgrades. For more information on all day kindergarten go to <http://www.nclack.k12.or.us/alldaykindergarten>

Land Use Issues

- Glenn Hoerr visited our meeting a couple months ago to advise us GracePointe Church was applying for permission to expand their parking lot. This was met at that time with approval by the neighborhood. This past month our Land Use Committee (made up of our NDA officers) received documents from the Planning Department to comment on the proposal. There is very little time between when we do receive these planning permit documents to respond with a reply to the Planning Commission so the officers discussed the approval by email and Lars Campbell, Chair of the Land Use Committee, was to respond back to the Planning Department on the NDA's behalf. We had no objection to their request. Work has already begun by removing the dilapidated old house and the large hedge on the property at Jackson at 44th. There will be no new access points onto either 44th or Jackson.

Boards and Commissions reports:

- **PSAC**

Mary Weaver reported again that the Meds and Shred Day is April 15th 10am-2m at the PSB. She reported about the public participation for presentations on police department information as reported by Chief Bartol.

Other Information

- This month the Albertson's store at Milwaukie Marketplace was transformed overnight into a Haggen's property. Not sure what will happen with Safeway, but the Safeway property will undoubtedly be discussed under the Neighborhood Main Streets project.
- Reliable Credit Union has placed notices on the stores they own along Main St. advising they may be torn down to put in a surface parking lot for RCU employees. Parking downtown is an on-going problem. RCU has had to file a permit request now in order to retain their ability to develop their property before new city planning laws would have prohibited the surface parking lot. It is unknown what they will do; they have 2 years to decide. There is a great deal of opposition to their proposed plan although there would be less opposition to a 2 or 3 story construction with retail shops on the bottom floor and parking above.
- With the opening of Riverfront Park neighbors are reminded that the vehicle entrance to the park is no longer Washington but is further south on McLoughlin. The Washington St light is exit only.
- PMLR trains have started test runs on the track. The Quiet Zone is in place. Watch for trains!!
- Mr. Aschenbrenner asked if there was any interest in holding one of our summer meetings at Milwaukie Museum. This was tabled until next month
- **NDA elections will be held in May**. All positions except Park and Gardens Coordinator are open for changes.
- The August 10th picnic will need a lot of volunteers. Mr. Aschenbrenner and his family will not be available to help this year. Contact Lars Campbell to volunteer.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Next meeting: May 11, 2015, 6:30pm

Members of the HCNDA are those who live in, own property in, work in, or represent a business or nonprofit organization within the Hector Campbell NDA boundaries. Only members are entitled to

make motions and to vote. Others are welcome to attend and to contribute to discussion. Find your appropriate neighborhood at www.cityofmilwaukee.org/nda/ndamap.html. Hector Campbell NDA's website: www.hectorcampbellnda.org.

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